

## MONASTIC SCHOOLS.

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RETURN to an Order of the Honourable The House of Commons,  
dated 10 April 1893;—*viz*,

RETURN “showing the Number of MONASTIC SCHOOLS in *Ireland* under the NATIONAL BOARD of EDUCATION, with the Name of each; the Number of Children on the Roll of each School; the Number of Children in average daily attendance at each; the Number of Teachers employed; and the Names of the several Religious Orders to which they belong:

“And, Copies of the Form of Application for the School to be taken under the Board, and of the Form in the Quarterly Returns certifying that the Rules of the Board have been duly observed.”

(*Mr. T. W. Russell.*)

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II.—Returns showing the Number of Monastic Schools in Ireland under the National Board of Education, with the Name of each, the Number of Children on the Roll of each school, the Number of Children as average daily Attendance at each, the Number of Teachers employed, and the Name of the several Religious Orders to which they belong

No.	NAME OF SCHOOL.	Total Number of Children on Roll on 31st December 1910.	Average daily Attendance for Term 1910.	Number of Teachers employed.				Religious Order or Community.	Locality to which School is attached.
				(1) Teaching Staff from Communities of National Education.		(2) Not in Service of State's Education. Communities of National Education.			
						(A) Teaching within school day.	(B) Teaching Staffed outside of school day.		
				Men's.	Women.				
1	Johnston, Cappagh	110	66	6	—	1	—	Order of the Holy Spirit	Down
2	St. Patrick's, Carrageagh	100	100	4	1	1	—	—	Down
3	St. Joseph's, Carrigrohilly	63	60	4	4	1	—	—	Waterford
4	St. Joseph's, Carrigrohilly, Reading	107	100	1	6	1	—	—	Down
5	Edith's	104	10	4	—	1	—	—	Edith's
6	St. Patrick's, Edith's	111	10	1	—	1	—	—	Edith's
7	Edith's	100	100	4	—	—	—	—	Edith's
8	Edith's	41	41	1	—	—	—	—	Edith's
9	Edith's	60	60	1	—	1	—	—	Edith's
10	St. John's, Dingle	101	101	1	—	—	—	—	Down
11	St. Joseph's, Dingle	100	100	4	1	1	—	—	Down
12	St. Joseph's, Dingle (C)	100	100	1	4	—	—	—	Down
13	St. Joseph's, Dingle (C)	101	101	1	1	—	—	—	Down
14	Edith's (C)	100	100	4	1	1	—	—	Down



## III.—FORMS of (A) Application and (B) Quarterly Returns.

*Note*.—These forms are identical with those used in case of applications to be taken into consideration, and of Quarterly Returns from other schools.

(A.)

DISTRICT \_\_\_\_\_

ROLL No. \_\_\_\_\_ I.O. (301.)  
1890

No. of Letter requesting Aid \_\_\_\_\_

Acknowledged by Circular \_\_\_\_\_

Date of its receipt }  
in Office

Notified to District Inspector \_\_\_\_\_

Blank form of Appli- }  
cation despatched

Report Received \_\_\_\_\_

Ditto returned to Office \_\_\_\_\_

Entered in Application Book \_\_\_\_\_

Entered in Application Book \_\_\_\_\_

Referred to Sub-Committee \_\_\_\_\_

## APPLICATION TO THE COMMISSIONERS OF NATIONAL EDUCATION

## FOR AID TOWARDS

## PAYMENT OF TEACHER'S SALARY AND FOR SUPPLY OF REQUISITES,

## FOR

A School in the County of \_\_\_\_\_

to be called The \_\_\_\_\_ NATIONAL SCHOOL.

The School is situate in the Barony of \_\_\_\_\_; in the Parish of (name as given

on Ordnance Map) \_\_\_\_\_ in the Townland of \_\_\_\_\_

in the Poor Law Union of \_\_\_\_\_ in P.L. Electoral Division of \_\_\_\_\_

The nearest Post Town is \_\_\_\_\_ distant \_\_\_\_\_ miles;

The School-house if situate on the road from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

*In the following Extract from the Commissioners' Rules and Regulations are set forth the chief conditions on which Aid is granted to Schools previously established (Non-Vested):—*

1. The object of the system of National Education is to afford combined literary and moral, and separate religious instruction to children of all persuasions, as far as possible, in the same School, upon the fundamental principle, that no attempt shall be made to interfere with the peculiar religious tenets of any description of Christian people.

25. The aid granted to non-vested Schools consists of Salary, Wages Fee, Gratuities, Books, and where School requires, and the benefits of Inspection and Training. (See note to Rule 10 as to loans for the erection of non-vested School-houses.)

26. The Commissioners do not contribute towards Repairs, Fittings, or Furniture; or to the Rent of the School-house.\*

30. Before granting aid (a.) the School must be in actual operation under a competent Teacher (Rule 153) and the Commissioners will require to be satisfied (b.) that the case is deserving of assistance; (c.) that there is reason to expect that the School will maintain an average daily attendance of at least thirty pupils; (d.) that adequate local provision will be made in augmentation of the Teacher's emoluments from the Board; (e.) that the School-house is suitable, in good repair, adequately furnished, and provided with proper out-offices; and (f.) that the Teacher is not the owner of or liable for rent for the School-house. †

31. It exists cases, namely, where the means of religious instruction are not attainable by children of a particular denomination in any National School within reasonable distance from their homes, the Commissioners are prepared to make modified grants to Schools in which the average daily attendance of pupils is less than 30; but they reserve to themselves the power in all cases of preventing the unnecessary multiplication of Schools in any district. (See Rule 115.)

32. Before the Commissioners decide upon an application for aid, they require, from the Inspector of the district, a report upon all the circumstances of the case.

33. To warrant continuance of aid the House and Furniture must be kept in sufficient repair by means of local contributions, and the School must be conducted in all respects in a satisfactory manner, and in accordance with the Rules and Regulations of the Commissioners.

\* Loans for providing residences for Teachers at Non-Vested Schools may, however, be obtained. (See Rules 267-268.)

† No National School can be conducted as for a select class of children, and in no National School can any children be kept apart from the ordinary pupils on the ground of parents of School fees, or the social position of their parents, as the Commissioners regard any such separation of one class of pupils in a National School from the rest of the pupils as inconsistent with the spirit of the National system of Education.

34. (a.) In Mixed Schools, i.e., Schools in which Male and Female children are taught in the same room, the Principal Teacher subject to the approval of the Board, may be either male or female, as the circumstances of the School may require; but (b.) when a Mixed School has been received into extinction, the sanction of the Commissioners should be obtained for the substitution of a male for a female Teacher, or vice versa. (c.) A female Teacher, whether Principal or Assistant, will not be reappointed in a Boys' School, unless it is attended by Infant Pupils only, nor (d.) a male Teacher, whether Principal or Assistant, in a Girls' School, nor (e.) will a male Assistant be reappointed in any School under a female Principal. (See Rule 108.)

35. When a School has been taken into connection, as a School for Boys or for Girls solely, or as a Mixed School, the sanction of the Commissioners should be obtained for a change from a Boys' to a Girls' School, or vice versa, or to a Mixed School, or from a Mixed School to separate Schools. This is not to preclude the admission of Infant Boys to Girls' Schools. (See Note VII. (b.) Appendix, page 66.)

36. No aid will be granted to a School *Avide* is a place of worship; nor will the Commissioners sanction the transfer of an existing School to a place of worship, even for a temporary period.

37. When a School-room is in any way connected with a place of worship, there must not be any direct internal communication between the School-room and such place of worship.

38. No political meetings shall be held in National School-houses, whether rented or non-rented; nor shall any political business whatever be transacted therein. †

39. When any School is received into connection, the Commissioners will require that the inscription "National School" shall be put up in plain and legible characters on a conspicuous part of the Schoolhouse, or on such other place as may render it conspicuous to the public. In Voluntary Schools a stone is to be introduced into the wall having that inscription cut upon it.

40. The Commissioners will not sanction any inscription containing a title of denominational character, or which may appear to them to indicate that the School is not belonging to any particular religious body, but the terms Boys', Girls', or Infants', with the proper local designation taken from the city, town, parish, street, village or township, in which the School is established, or the name of the founder, may be included in the inscription.

41. No emblems or symbols of a denominational nature shall be exhibited in the School-room during the hours of school instruction; nor will the Commissioners in future grant aid to any School which exhibits on the exterior of the buildings any such emblems.

42. No emblems or symbols of a political nature shall at any time be exhibited in the School-room or affixed to the exterior of the buildings; nor shall any placards whatsoever, except such as refer to the legitimate business of School Management, be affixed thereto.

43. (a.) In all Day National Schools not less than four hours a day (including, if necessary, a playtime of not more than half-an-hour) must be provided on the Time-Table for the ordinary secular business on five days in the week. (b.) A pupil who on any of those days does not attend under instruction until the conclusion of the ordinary literary business, as notified on the Time-Table, cannot be credited with an attendance on that day. (c.) In Infants' Schools and Infants' Departments, more than one interval for play may be provided for on the Time-Table. (See page 66 Note VI.)

44. Religious instruction must be so arranged (a.) that each School shall be open to children of all communions for combined literary and moral instruction; (b.) that in respect of religious instruction due regard be had to parental right and authority; and accordingly, that no child shall receive, or be present at, any religious instruction of which his parents or guardians disapprove; and (c.) that the time for giving religious instruction be so fixed that no child shall be thereby, in effect, excluded, directly or indirectly from the other advantages which the School affords.

45. The Government of the National Schools is vested in the Patron or local Managers thereof.

46. (a.) The Commissioners recognise as the Person the person who applies in the first instance to place the School in connection with the Board, unless it be otherwise specified in the application.

(b.) The Local Manager is the person who is charged with the direct government of the School, the appointment and removal of Teachers, and the carrying on of the necessary correspondence with the Commissioners.

(c.) A person, to be eligible for the position of local Manager of a School, must be either a clergyman or other person of good position in society, must reside within a convenient distance from the School, and must undertake to visit the School frequently, and to check and certify the correctness of the quarterly and other returns furnished from the School to the Education Office.

(d.) Before finally sanctioning the appointment of any person as Manager for the first time, the Commissioners require from him an undertaking in writing to have their Rules and Regulations complied with. (See Rules 114 and 241.)

47. (a.) The Patron has the right of managing the School himself on the above conditions, or of nominating any fit person to act as local Manager of the School. (b.) The Patron may, at any time, resume the direct management of the School, or appoint another local Manager. (c.) The local Manager possesses all the powers of the Patron, except that of appointing a manager.

48. (a.) When a School is under the control of a School Committee, such School Committee is the Patron. (b.) The Commissioners dissent sanction any arrangement by which the Teacher of a National School can be member or officer of any School Committee.

49. The public generally must have free access to every National School during the hours devoted to secular instruction—not to take part in the ordinary business, or to interrupt it, but, as Visitors, to observe how it is conducted.

50. (a.) Visitors of all denominations are to have free access to the School rooms, and full liberty to examine the Religious Certificate Book, Daily Report Book, and Class Rolls, but not to make extracts; to observe what books are in the hands of the children, or upon the desks, what tablets are hung up, or the walls and what is the method of teaching; (b.) but they are not to interrupt the business of the School, by asking questions of the children, examining Classes, calling for papers or documents of any kind, except those specified, or in any other way directing the attention of either Teachers or Scholars from their usual business.

51. Should any visitor wish for information which they cannot obtain by such an inspection, it is the duty of the Teachers to refer them to the local Manager of the School.

52. The following are eligible for appointment as Teachers or Assistant Teachers of National Schools:

(1.) Persons who have been trained in recognised Training Colleges.

(2.) Persons already recognised as Classified National Teachers.

(3.) Persons who, after a five years' course as Monitors, have obtained satisfactory Certificates.

When, however, a person of these classes, under any exceptional circumstances, cannot be found to fill an existing vacancy, the Commissioners will be prepared to consider an application for the nomination of an untrained person, on the condition that he shall immediately pass a preliminary Entrance Examination for provisional Classification in the Course for Third Class. For his continued recognition he shall also pass the first General Examination happening afterwards. In case such a person shall fail to pass either of these Examinations, he will be disqualified from candidature for a year from the date of such failure, and salary will not be paid after the close of the quarter in which the examination occurred.

† National School-houses may, by Act of Parliament, be used as Polling Booths for the election of Members of Parliament on the requisition of the Sheriff.

123. The Commissioners in certain cases are prepared to act on the following modification of the aid granted to National Schools :—(See Rule 31.)

a. *Attendance under 10 Pupils.*—Schools with average daily attendance under 10 pupils conducted on the principles and the system of the Board, may be allowed Inspection, Books, and Apparatus, under existing regulations. The Teachers can receive no salary from the Commissioners, but are eligible for results fees and for training, and their services, from their connection with the Board, will count to their credit in respect to retiring allowances, &c.

b. *Attendance 10 but under 30 Pupils.*—When the average daily attendance is not less than 10, but is under 30, a capitation allowance on the average daily attendance in addition to the aid granted by preceding rule will be allowed by the Commissioners, at the rate of 14. 5s. 4d. per annum to masters and 10s. 4d. to mistresses. (c) When a School aided under this Rule attains to an average attendance of 30 pupils or above in any quarter, salary to teacher may be paid as in ordinary Schools for each quarter only.

d. Should the attendance be reduced in any quarter, owing to epidemic or other exceptional cause, the capitation allowance for such quarter will be calculated on the average attendance for the quarter preceding that in which the exceptional cause began to operate.

e. *Aided Schools.*—Salaries, in addition to results fees, may be paid to Teachers of Aided Schools at capitation rate, even when the average is below 10; (f) and when the average is not less than 10 but is under 30, the Commissioners may award third class salary to Teachers of Aided Schools.

124. *Local Aid (a).*—So far as practicable, a further income must be secured to Teachers of ordinary National Schools by school fees, supplemented where necessary, by local endowments or contributions; and (b.) the school fees paid by the children should not be diminished in consequence of any increase of salary or Results Fees which may be awarded to the Teacher. (c) The arrangement of the rates of school fees is to be made by the Manager; but the school fees are payable to the Teacher in part of his emoluments. (See Note to Rule 30.)

258. Persons desirous of obtaining aid from the Commissioners of National Education towards the support of a School, will, upon intimating to the Secretaries their desire, be furnished with the Forms upon which their application must be laid before the Commissioners; as a general rule grants of salary, &c., made thereon cannot commence from an earlier date than the first of the month in which such application Forms are returned to the Office.

259. Applicants for aid are to understand that the Commissioners are not bound to grant the full amount of aid, as set forth in the foregoing Regulations, nor can they grant any aid unless they have sufficient funds for the purpose. (Rule 131.)

260. The Commissioners desire it to be distinctly understood that they do not hold themselves bound to grant aid, unless application shall have been made to them on the proper form, and unless the application shall have been favourably and finally decided upon by the Board. Applicants, therefore, should not incur any expense towards the payment of which they expect the Commissioners to contribute until the decision of the Board shall have been communicated to them.

The Commissioners require that the following Undertaking shall be signed by the applicant :—

*I hereby undertake that, should this Application be favourably entertained, the School shall be conducted in strict conformity with the Rules and Regulations of the Commissioners.*

\_\_\_\_\_  
Applicant.  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Rel. Denomination.  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Lay or Clerical.  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Address.  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Date.

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION.

The following are the principal heads of information which it is desirable this application should contain :—

In supplying these "heads of information," the Commissioners do not mean to prescribe any form of application from which no deviation is to be made—they propose them merely for the assistance of applicants; but it is to be borne in mind that it is most desirable that all the circumstances of the School should be fully and precisely set forth, in order that the Commissioners may be enabled to come to a just decision upon the merits of the application.

1. Description and condition of the House and Premises as to roof, flooring, privies, &c.

2. Number of separate rooms, and the precise use made of each.

3. Whether the School-house is the property of the Teacher, or is rented by him.

4. Names, Ages, and Class of Teacher or Teachers.

5. Names and County of National Schools in which last employed, and date of leaving.

6. Annual Amount of LOCAL Aid that will be guaranteed in Augmentation of Teachers' Salary.

7. Average daily attendance of Children, Males and Females, for each of the three months preceding application.

8. The School hours.

9. Arrangement and time for Religious Instruction.

10. The Patronship and Local Managership of the School; if the Patronship be held by an Individual, his name and address; if by a Committee, their names, their Religious Denominations, and by whom elected.

11. Name and address of Local Manager.

(E)

B.O. (253)

Dist. Na. Co.

Received in Office. \_\_\_\_\_

NATIONAL SCHOOL

Roll No. \_\_\_\_\_

Return for the Quarter ended the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 189\_\_\_\_\_

Q-1-HAVE THE RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE COMMISSIONERS BEEN COMPLIED WITH-AS FAR AS YOU HAVE BEEN ABLE TO OBSERVE? IF NOT COMPLIED WITH, STATE IN WHAT PARTICULAR.

II.—STATE YOUR OPINION OF THE TEACHER OR  
TEACHERS AS TO CHARACTER.

III.—Total Number of School days in Quarter, (i.e., all week-days except Saturdays) .. —————days

IV.—Number of days this School was closed during the Quarter, viz.—

(g) Vacation From \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ (inclusive) \_\_\_\_\_ days

(b) Holidays (give dates): \_\_\_\_\_ days, equal \_\_\_\_\_ days.

(c) Other courses (give dates): \_\_\_\_\_ days.

Specify these Causes } \_\_\_\_\_

F—Number of days this School was in operation during the Quarter, . . . . . days.

VI—Number of days elapsed in calculating the Quarterly average attendance . . . . . days.

VII.—Number of days included in calculating the Quarterly average attendance. — days.

VIII. Average attendance for Quarter, computed on Rule 165.	MALES	Average Attendance for each Month.		Excluded Days (if any) in each Month.		Cause of exclusion.
	FEMALES	Month.	Average.	Date.	Attendance.	
	TOTAL					

Average attendance for each Month in Quarter

Average Attendance for each Month.	Excluded Days (if any) in each Month.	Cost of exclusion.
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Month.	Average.	Date.	Attendance.
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IX.—State if School is free of School fees for children over 3 and under 15 years of age for all subjects of instruction for ordinary school hours.	X.—If School is not free of School fees state the Average Rate per child over 3 and under 15 years of age.
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Pupils over 8 and under 16 years of age—Act 55 & 56 Vic. Cap. 42, Sec. 18 (5).

XI. Average attendance for Quarter, computed for pupils over 3 and under 15 years of age (Act 55 856 Wis. Stat. 42).	MALES	Average Attendance for each Month.		Enrolled Days (Days in each Month.		Cause of variation.
	FEMALES	Month.	Average.	Date.	Attendance.	
	TOTAL					

Average attendance (pupils over 8 and under 18) for each month is given.

Average Mileage for each Month.	Estimated Days Off in each Month.	Days of collection.
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Month: <sup>1</sup> Average	Date:	Apprentice:
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[illegible]

\* As far as may be practicable the same Money Order Office for the whole District.

[illegible]

Is JEFF CHAIKEN was ever before mentioned by the DOOMSBROOKERS in any capacity, state-

Date.	Roll No.	National School in which last employed.	In what capacity—(Principal, Assistant or Monitor).	Date of leaving the same.

I CERTIFY THE ABOVE TO BE CORRECT

Manager's Signature, { Clerical, \_\_\_\_\_ Rel. Denom., \_\_\_\_\_ Address, \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ { Leg., \_\_\_\_\_ Rel. Denom., \_\_\_\_\_ Date, \_\_\_\_\_

(See next page.)



## NOTES.

(Here insert)  
District No. \_\_\_\_\_

The claims for Quarter should be enclosed with this form, folded flat; placed in the envelope provided, and sent to the Education Office immediately after the termination of Quarter.

Incorrect or incomplete replies to queries will of necessity cause delay in the payment of Salaries. Claims not received in time for first issues in any Quarter cannot be authorized for payment until the times appointed for subsequent issues. If a new teacher, never before recognized, has been appointed, a Medical Certificate and a Certificate of age should be forwarded with this Query Sheet. If owing to the absence of any Teacher a substitute has been employed, the name, age, and class of such substitute should be stated, and also the period during which service was given.

Every new Teacher (Principal, Assistant, or Workmistress) must sign an Agreement with Manager to secure Salary and Resalt Fees; and whenever a change of Manager takes place, new Agreements must be executed between Teachers and the incoming Manager, and a statement as to the form signed should be made on this Return.

## Extracts from Commissioners' Rules.

RULE 163. (a) The Salaries of National Teachers are payable and will be remitted on the 14th day of January, April, July and October in each year in cases where the Quarterly Returns have been received in due time, and where there are no irregularities to be specially dealt with before payment.

\* Should the 14th of the month fall on a Sunday, the Salaries will be issued on the 15th.

## IRISH EDUCATION ACT, 1892.

## Provisions as to application of Grant for Elementary Schools.

Section 18 Clause 5—*Parliamentary Grant.*

For the purposes of this Section, and of the Schedule to this Act, the expression "Child" shall mean a child over three and under fifteen years of age.

## 4th Schedule.

The School Grant shall be applied by the Commissioners in accordance with regulations to be made by them with the concurrence of the Treasury, as follows:—

First—In augmenting, by twenty per centum, the existing rate of class Salaries of Teachers and of Salaries of Assistant Teachers, and by three shillings and sixpence the Capitation Grant to Schools receiving such grants and not having teachers paid by class salaries.

Secondly—In granting a bonus of nine pounds to each male, and seven pounds ten shillings to each female Assistant Teacher, of five years standing who is classed higher than the third class.

Thirdly—In awarding a third class salary to each Teacher of a school having an average attendance of from twenty to thirty children.

Fourthly—The residue shall be distributed as a Capitation Grant as nearly as possible in proportion to the average number of children daily attending the several schools, in aid of which salaries or other money payments are paid by the Commissioners.